ABSTRACT

A socket and plug connector are shown where the socket connector has a plurality of tab terminals positioned on a printed circuit board, and a shroud in surrounding relation thereto. The shroud housing does not have a floor, and thus the shroud wall can extend to the printed circuit board. An alignment plate is positioned over the tab terminals and is movable from an upper position where the alignment plate member protects the tab terminals and holds them in an array, to a lower position where the alignment plate member floats to a position adjacent to the printed circuit board to receive the plug connector.